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SUMMARY: ECONOMIC SIDE OF FOREIGN MINISTRY IS BUSY, THOUGH PERPLEXED,

PREPARING PAPERS FOR AGENDA-LESS EC

SUMMIT FOR USE BY LAME-DUCK DANISH MINISTERS. THEY

ASSUME PRINCIPAL FOCUS OF DISCUSSION WILL BE ORGANIZATION

OF FUTURE SUMMIT MEETINGS, MIDDLE EAST AND ENERGY, AND

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REVIEW OF MAIN COUNCIL-LEVEL ISSUES. THEY FEAR PRIME

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1. CHARGE AND ECONOFF CALLED ON HEAD OF FONOFF COMMON MARKET
SECRETARIAT, DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY WANDEL-PETERSEN, DECEMBER 11
TO OBTAIN VIEW FROM ECONOMIC SIDE OF MINISTRY ON EC SUMMIT.
WANDEL-PETERSEN NOTED DIFFICULTY IN WRITING PAPERS FOR AGENDA-LESS
MEETING BUT SAID THIS IS BEING DONE WITH ANTICIPATION SUMMIT DIS-
CUSSIONS WILL DIVIDE INTO THREE GENERAL CATEGORIES: (A) DISCUSSION
OF FORMAT AND FREQUENCY OF FUTURE SUMMIT MEETINGS, BOTH REGULAR AND
EXTRAORDINARY; (B) FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES OF WHICH MIDDLE EAST
WOULD BE FOREMOST (WITH PROBABLY LITTLE OR NO ATTENTION TO US/EC
RELATIONS) AND (C) ECONOMIC ISSUES OF WHICH ENERGY PROBLEMS WOULD
BE HIGHLIGHTED (IN CONJUNCTION WITH DISCUSSIONS ON MIDDLE EAST).
PRIME MINISTERS WILL PROBABLY ALSO FEEL OBLIGATED TO DISCUSS MAIN
REMAINING ISSUES ON EMU SECOND PHASE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND
ON WHICH DECISIONS WILL BE REQUIRED NEXT WEEK IN EC COUNCIL MEETINGS.

WANDEL-PETERSEN COMMENTED THAT PM HEATH WILL WANT TO SATISFY
HIS POLITICAL NEEDS FOR A SIZEABLE PIECE OF THE REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR THE U.K.

2. WANDEL-PETERSEN ADMITTED THE DANES WERE A BIT NERVOUS ABOUT
PROTOCOL AND ORGANIZATION OF THIS SUMMIT AT WHICH THEY WILL BE
OSTENSIBLE HOSTS BUT OBVIOUSLY NOT LEADERS OF PROCEEDINGS.
HE EXPECTED PM JORGENSEN TO BE RATHER QUIET HOST, PARTLY BECAUSE
OF HIS LAME-DUCK STATUS BUT ALSO BECAUSE HE IS NOT AS WELL INFORMED
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AT SOME OF THE OTHER PRINCIPALS ON THE MAIN ISSUES OF DISCUSSION.

3. WANDEL-PETERSEN FELT THAT, FROM DANISH VIEWPOINT, IT WILL BE
ESSENTIAL THAT SUMMIT PROVIDE POSITIVE DISPLAY OF COMMUNITY SOLIDARITY
ON MAIN ECONOMIC ISSUE WITH WHICH IT IS NOW FACED -- THE ENERGY
CRISIS.
HE WAS ONLY CAUTIOUSLY SANGUINE ABOUT PROSPECTS FOR SUCH CONSENSUS.
STILL, WHILE NOTING IMPORTANCE OF THIS ISSUE TO DENMARK (WHICH,
WITH NETHERLANDS, PROBABLY IN WORST POSITION IN THE COMMUNITY ON OIL
SUPPLY), HE EXPECTED NO INITIATIVES BY DANISH PM ON THIS, ALTHOUGH

HE WOULD SUPPORT THE LEADS WHICH GERMANS AND DUTCH ARE EXPECTED TO TAKE ON OIL SHARING. HE DID NOT EXPECT THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY TO FIGURE IN THE DISCUSSIONS.

4. SCHEDULE OF SUMMIT, ACCORDING TO WANDEL-PETERSEN, NOW APPEARS TO BE FOLLOWING: FRIDAY MORNING- WELCOMING STATEMENT BY PM JORGENSEN TO PRIME MINISTERS AND FOREIGN MINISTERS FOLLOWED BY JOINT LUNCHEON; FRIDAY AFTERNOON - SEPARATE MEETINGS OF PRIME MINISTERS AND FONMINS; FRIDAY EVENING - SEPARATE DINNERS; SATURDAY MORNING - RESUMPTION OF SEPARATE MEETINGS FOLLOWED BY JOINT LUNCHEON HOSTED BY QUEEN; SATURDAY AFTERNOON- JOINT MEETING FOLLOWED BY MEETING WITH PRESS AT WHICH PM JORGENSEN WOULD MAKE GENERAL (AND PROBABLY LARGELY NON-SUBSTANTIVE) STATEMENT. THERE WOULD BE NO DECLARATION OR COMMUNIQUE.

5. WHILE DECISION IS NOT YET FINAL, DENMARK WILL PROBABLY BE REPRESENTED AT FOREIGN MINISTER LEVEL BY TWO MINISTERS, FONMIN K.B. ANDERSEN (POLITICAL) AND FONECONMIN IVAR NORGAARD (ECONOMIC).
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